

Application No. 10/667,095
Reply to Office Action dated July 18, 2005

Customer No. 01933

R E M A R K S

Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of this application as amended are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5, 7, 12, 20, 22 and 23 were rejected as being unpatentable over Tobin (USP 5,129,609) in view of Anderson (USP 2,142,547). Claims 8 and 13 were rejected as being unpatentable over Tobin in view of Anderson and Schirer (USP 6,155,325). Claims 10, 11 and 26-29 were rejected as being unpatentable over Tobin in view of Anderson and Wright (US 2002/0072598). Claims 14 and 15 were rejected as being unpatentable over Tobin in view of Anderson and Gardner (USP 5,755,949). Claims 16 and 18 were rejected as being unpatentable over Tobin in view of Anderson and Hanna (USP 4,531,564).

Claim 9 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Independent claims 1, 27 and 29 are amended to include the subject matter of allowable claim 9. Therefore, the Examiner's rejections have been overcome and should be withdrawn.

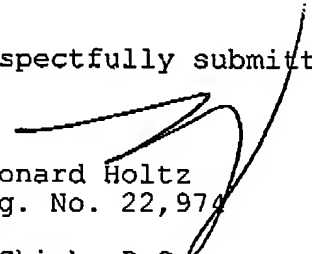
It is respectfully submitted that claim 1 should now be allowable and therefore, withdrawn claims 6, 7 and 19 should be rejoined and considered in this application.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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